uled Caste and Scheduled Tribe students studying in Medical and Engineering Colleges in Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) the amount allocated under the Scheme to Andhra Pradesh during 1991–92?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a) The required information will be collected and laid on the Table of the House.

(b) Rs. 9.68 Lakhs.

Scheduled Tribe Employees

1404. SHRI PIUS TIRKEY: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number and percentage of Scheduled Tribe employees in the Tribal Welfare Division of the Ministry of Welfare, category-wise;

(b) whether the Government propose to fill up the vacant posts for Scheduled Tribes in the said division; and

(c) if so, the progress made so far and the time by which the vacant posts are likely to be filled up?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a) to (c). The posts in the Ministry of Welfare are filled by the Department of Personnel and Training under the Central Staffing Scheme or the Central Secretariat Service Scheme. Division-wise recruitment is not made by the Ministry of Welfare. The number of ST employees, Group-wise in the Tribal Welfares. Division is given in the Statement laid on the Table of the House.

Diversion of Basmati Rice to Export Trade

1405. SHRI J. CHOKKA RAO: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether superior variety of basmati rice has disappeared practically from the domestic market due to large scale diversion to export market; and

(b) if so, the quantity of the superior variety of basmati rice produced in the country during 1990–91 and 1991-92 and the quantity exported therefrom?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The production of rice variety-wise i.e. basmati and others does not fall under the forecast reporting system. As per the current assessment the production of total rice during the year 1991-92 may be in the range of 73.0 to 73.5 Million tonnes against the estimated production of 74.59 million tonnes during the year 1990-91.

The quantity of basmati rice exported during 1990-91 was 2,41,830 MTs and during the period from 1st April, 1991 to 31st January, 1992, a quantity of 1,80,594 MTs of basmati rice has been exported.

[*Translation*]

Disputes between Punjab and Haryana

1406. SHRI JANGBIR SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government propose to take any fresh initiative to resolve the various disputes between Punjab and Haryana; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?